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#### §0.1 The Commission.

The Federal Trade Commission is an independent administrative agency which was organized in 1915 pursuant to the Federal Trade Commission Act of 1914 (38 Stat. 717, as amended; 15 U.S.C. 41-58). It is responsible for the administration of a variety of statutes which, in general, are designed to promote competition and to protect the public from unfair and deceptive acts and practices in the advertising and marketing of goods and services. It is composed of five members appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate for terms of seven years.

#### §0.2 Official address.

The principal office of the Commission is at Washington, DC. All communications to the Commission should be addressed to the Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580, unless otherwise specifically directed.

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#### §0.3 Hours.

Principal and field offices are open on each business day from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### §0.4 Laws administered.

The Commission exercises enforcement and administrative authority under the Federal Trade Commission Act (38 Stat. 717, as amended (15 U.S.C. 41-58)), the Clayton Act (38 Stat. 730, as amended (15 U.S.C. 12-27)), the Export Trade Act (40 Stat. 516, as amended (15 U.S.C. 61-65)), the Packers and Stockyards Act (42 Stat. 159, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181-229)), the Wool Products Labeling Act (54 Stat. 1128, as amended (15 U.S.C. 68-68j)), the Trade Mark Act (60 Stat. 427, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1051-72)), The Fur Products Labeling Act (65 Stat. 175, as amended (15 U.S.C. 69-69j)), the Textile Fiber Products Identification Act (72 Stat. 1717, as amended (15 U.S.C. 70-70k)), the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act (79 Stat. 282, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1331-39)), the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (80 Stat. 1296, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1451-61)), the Truth in Lending Act (82 Stat. 146, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)), the Fair Credit Reporting Act (84 Stat. 1128 (15 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.)), the Fair Credit Billing Act (88 Stat. 1511; (15 U.S.C. 1666)), the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (88 Stat. 1521, as amended (15 U.S.C. 1691)), Hobby Protection Act (87 Stat. 686 (15 U.S.C. 2101)), the Magnuson-Moss Warranty—Federal Trade Commission Improvement Act (88 Stat. 2183 (15 U.S.C. 2301-12, 45-58)), the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (89 Stat. 871 (42 U.S.C. 6291)), the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 1383 (15 U.S.C. 1311)), and other Federal statutes.

#### §0.5 Laws authorizing monetary claims.

The Commission is authorized to entertain monetary claims against it under three statutes. The Federal Tort